

Fair tonight. Thursday
cloudy and warmer.

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DIAMOND QUEEN SAYS ACCUSER GAVE HER GEMS

Accuses Wheeling Jeweler of Wronging Her and
Then Making Her Presents of
Trinkets and Money.

WHEELING, W. Va., May 22.—Pretty Bessie Criswell Burton, "the diamond queen," on trial on a charge of feloniously obtaining \$2,100 worth of diamonds, told the jury that her accuser, Jeweler H. E. Hillman, was a West Virginia Stanford White, alleging that he treated her much the way Evelyn Nesbit said she had been treated—minus the drugged wine feature.

She swore that Hillman sought her acquaintance in 1901, when she was a clerk at a millinery goods store, and enticed her away. Afterward, the girl confessed she was a frequent caller at Hillman's rooms, and that he often made her presents of jewelry and loans of money.

Explaining how she came in possession of the diamonds she is accused of stealing, the girl said:

"Hillman told me I was such a pretty little girl, with such dimpled hands, I ought to get a man to buy diamonds for me. I answered 'What's the matter with you? You have plenty of diamonds.' Then she said Hillman let her have them. The girl testified that her marriage was an unhappy one.

Hillman denied completely the girl's story that he had had intimate relations with her.

He asserted that he sold her the diamonds upon her representations that she had a bank account and real estate to cover the amount.

Leutenant Ehret testified that when the girl was arrested she told him Hillman was "crazy" and she could have got \$10,000 worth out of him. About \$300 worth of the jewelry has been recovered. The girl made a statement after having been brought here that the New York detectives were "real nice men," who took her to theaters and supped every evening while she was a prisoner in the Tombs. Today Bessie is bravely withstanding a grilling examination.

LYNCHED TWO; KILLED THREE; NEGRO OUTRAGE

Assault on Georgia Widow
Provokes Pitched Battle.
One White Killed.

REIDSVILLE, Ga., May 22.—Two negroes lynched, three other persons dead, and six others injured, is the result of a pitched battle here following an assault made on Mrs. Laura Moore, a widow, living about six miles from here, by a negro.

About fifteen citizens surrounded the house. When the posse advanced, to within thirty feet of the house, Padgett and the other negro men opened fire, instantly killing John Hare, and seriously wounding Bartow Preston, also shooting James Daniels' eye out, and wounding him in the shoulder and arm.

Dr. J. L. Kennedy, county commissioner, also received a wound.

The fire was returned by members of the posse, killing Jim Padgett and one of his girls about ten years old, and wounding two other girls, about six and thirteen years old, also shooting one of Padgett's boys, aged twenty, through the lungs, and one, aged twenty-two, through the hip.

By 10 o'clock there were 500 armed men on the scene. A searching party captured and took a negro before Mrs. Moore, but she failed to identify him. Dr. J. L. Kennedy identified him as the negro whom he saw shoot Hare, and lynching looked the inevitable for a while.

Padgett's wife and son were started for Reidsville jail. On the way the officers were overtaken by about seventy-five men, and the prisoners were demanded. The woman was told to run, and as she did, was riddled with bullets. Her son was shot to pieces in the public road.

The negro who outraged Mrs. Moore has not been caught.

MRS. MORGAN DIVORCED FROM ENGLISH LORD'S SON

PORTSMOUTH, Va., May 22.—Mrs. Lily Leigh Morgan is granted an absolute divorce from her husband, Geoffrey Morgan, the son of an English nobleman, who refused to recognize him because he married an American girl. Young Morgan deserted his family some years ago. It is alleged, and returned to England.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

Cool weather continues over the eastern half of the country, and there was more frost in the upper Ohio valley, the lower lake region, the interior of the middle Atlantic States, and the mountain districts of Maryland and the Virginia. In the West temperatures are a little above the seasonal average, and pressure is low with unsettled weather, local showers having occurred in the central Rocky mountain region, the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys, and the western and northern up-per lake region.

Showers are probable tonight and Thursday in the upper Ohio valley and on Thursday night in the middle Atlantic States. In the South the weather will be partly cloudy. Temperatures will rise.

Steamers departing today for European ports will have light to fresh westerly winds, becoming variable, with fair weather to the Grand Banks.

SUN TABLE.
Sun sets today..... 4:36
Sun rises tomorrow..... 4:36

TIDE TABLE.
High water today..... 3:38 p. m.
Low water today..... 9:38 a. m.
High water tomorrow..... 4:33 p. m.
Low water tomorrow, 10:14 a. m., 11:06 p. m.

HARPERS FERRY, W. Va., May 22.—Potomac and Shenandoah both clear.

BANK EMPTY; STOCKHOLDERS HOLD INQUEST

Receivers Named for the
Standard Title and
Trust, Philadelphia.

Had Gorgeous Offices,
Impressing Investors,
But Paid No Rent.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—Two receivers have been appointed for the Standard Title and Trust Company at 713 Chestnut street. The court acted upon complaint of stockholders, who declare that they were defrauded. It is said criminal proceedings will follow.

More than \$1,000,000, it is said, has been obtained from the sale of stock in Chicago, Philadelphia, New York, and small towns East and West. Chicago alone yielded \$150,000; New York \$250,000, and Philadelphia \$100,000.

There has been a mystery about the Standard Title and Trust Company for weeks. Its officers are all out-of-town men. The list of officers of the company, shown on the stationery, contains names which have been used without even the knowledge or consent of the owners. This is the case with at least one of the directors. The list is as follows:

Prohibitionist Politician.
President, S. K. Ford, of Chicago; first vice president, H. Cohn, of New York; second vice president, E. A. Haffner, of Cincinnati; treasurer, H. F. Applewall, of Freeport, Ill.

One of the directors is Homer L. Castle, of Pittsburg, prohibition candidate for governor of Pennsylvania in the last campaign. He is also the company's counsel.

The company made its debut on February 5, when the city was flooded with circulars, saying: "We have purchased the exquisite banking house at 713 Chestnut street, and have a capital and surplus of \$1,000,000, of which \$1,200,000 is paid in. The par value of the stock is \$25, and it has been sold to subscribers at \$75."

Rent Was Not Paid.

On the same date the company took charge of the building at 713 Chestnut street and began to solicit business, sending out through the mails all its literature, covering the whole country, apparently. First, it was announced that the company would open for business on March 1. Then the opening was postponed to April 1, and when May 1 passed and there was still no company in evidence, the owner of the building began to get anxious. There was then \$7,100 due in rent.

Finally the uncertainty grew to such an extent that action was taken. Attorneys Furth and Singer, representing Lawrence W. Fause, a stockholder, and James C. Kirk, one of the directors, went before Judge Agill, in Common Pleas Court, No. 1, and filed affidavits that their subscriptions to stock of the company were obtained "by false and fraudulent representation made by the concern last February that it had \$500,000 capital and \$1,000,000 assets, whereas it did not have, and has not today, assets exceeding \$50,000."

Judge Agill granted their petition for receivers and appointed Israel Hecht and Carol B. Wilson.

It was discovered that one of the methods of the company to secure money was to offer men in responsible positions excellent offices in the company if they subscribed to the stock. Many, indeed, State banking commissioners' agents said, accepted these terms.

Bank Clerks Duped.

One cashier in a Bluefield, W. Va., national bank gave up a lucrative position and subscribed for \$5,000 of the stock in the company. He is here still, but has been unable to find any one at the bank excepting the janitor and the State banking commissioner's deputies. A clerk in a Camden trust company, conditional upon securing a good position, There are said to be many such instances. One Philadelphia director, it is declared, gave his note for \$50,000 to take up part of the capital stock. Most of the stock was apparently sold through financial agents in New York. The records of the certificates sold bear the names of Ford, Hunter, Aspinwall, and Massinger.

Emanuel Furth, attorney for the stockholders and the bank, says that he has sufficient evidence to secure criminal convictions against certain men back of the concern.

"It looks like a preconcerted fraud," said Mr. Furth. "All the money that was paid in seemed to flow out of the coffers of the bank through some mysterious channel. Whether that channel was a legal one or otherwise is what we will have to find out."

All persons who went to the bank to subscribe to the stock were impressed by the rich appearance of the bank's new office.

TWO RUSSIANS ARRESTED; COUNTERFEITING CHARGED

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 22.—L. William Cannon, United States Secret Service agent in charge of this district, has arrested Felix Dzianonowski and his wife, Johanna. They are charged with manufacturing and passing counterfeit nickels and dimes.

BOY JOLTED FROM WAGON, KILLED BY THE FALL

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 22.—Edward McCarty, eight years old, while riding on a large carting wagon belonging to Mosberger Bros., was jolted from the high seat of the vehicle and, falling beneath the front wheels, was instantly killed.

Mrs. Gould Scores Point; Hawley Makes Confession; Opera Star Is Implicated



MRS. HOWARD GOULD.

OLD ASSOCIATES SHOW LOYALTY TO MRS. GOULD

Detective Peabody Trapped Regarding Baltimore Junket.

NEW YORK, May 22.—William C. Wood, internationally known as "Big Bill" Hawley, has confessed his connection with the efforts which have been made to blacken the character of Mrs. Howard Gould.

Through his confession it is expected that the grand jury will today come into possession of sufficient evidence to warrant the indictment and arrest of several very prominent persons.

"Big Bill" Hawley, who is avoiding any unpleasant court proceedings in this State by remaining in seclusion in New Jersey, has confessed to Deputy Police Commissioner Hanson that Police Inspector McLaughlin, then in charge of the Central office detective bureau, had forced him into the office of De Lancey Nicoll, counsel for Howard Gould, in his efforts to divorce Mrs. Gould, and that while there Nicoll snapped his fingers under his nose and said to him:

"You have been taking money from Mrs. Gould for eleven years. You know you have. Now I want you to tell me why she gave you money? Private detectives have failed to get you to come here, and now I have ordered the city detectives to arrest you."

Confession in Suit.

That Hawley then entered the employ of Gould and Metcalf for the purpose of obtaining evidence against Mrs. Gould is confessed by him in suit for \$25,000 against them "for services rendered," and for breach of contract.

Following these statements, admissions, and confessions of the notorious crook, "Big Bill" Hawley, Police Commissioner Bingham announced that he has sent out subpoenas for the appearance of Howard Gould and Mrs. Howard Gould, to testify at his inquiry into the belief that the police department had been used as a private agency with a powerful club, to obtain evidence in the behalf of Howard Gould in his contemplated divorce action against his wife.

As yet Col. William F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," has not been subpoenaed as a witness, but it is understood that he will testify in the police investigation when the time comes.

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GEN. THEODORE A. BINGHAM,
Commissioner of Police in New York.
COL. WILLIAM F. CODY,
"Buffalo Bill," Who May Become an Important Witness in the Gould Case.

LONGSHOREMEN SHOT IN RIOT WITH NEGROES

NEW YORK, May 22.—In a riot between 500 longshoremen strikers and strikebreakers today at the entrance to the Atlantic basin, South Brooklyn, several shots were fired, and the police reserves battled for many minutes to restore order.

Three hundred negro strikebreakers were stopped at the ferry place entrance to the ship yards at Hamilton Ferry, when they tried to go to work, by about 200 strikers who tried to urge them, by peaceable arguments, not to go to work.

One of the negroes is said to have struck a striker with his fist, that started a general fight among the 500 men, and soon bricks, stones, clubs, and other missiles were flying between the combatants.

One negro, Michael Stubbs, of 31 Flatbush avenue, who had been struck with a stone, drew a revolver and fired at the man who, he thought, threw it. Stubbs was arrested.

Street Car Wires Burned in Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—By far the most serious act of violence that has marked the carmen's strike took place early today when sympathizers threw a chain over the main power line of the company and connected it with a trolley wire.

The power wire carried a current of 15,000 volts, and when this current went into the trolley circuit, all wires in the vicinity were burned out with a blinding flash.

All car lines on the north side of the city will be out of commission for at least one day and possibly two.

"MURDERER!" JUDGE HARGIS IS DENOUNCED

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 22.—Arguments of attorneys in the trial of Judge James Hargis, for the assassination of James Cockrell, in Breathitt county, closed at noon, and the jury began deliberation immediately after lunch.

George Hunt, for the defense, led off, followed by Beverly Jouett, for the prosecution. George Webb was next for the defense, and then Floyd Byrd for the prosecution. Edward Farrell closed for the defense, and Col. John R. Allen for the Commonwealth.

The attorneys for the defense referred to Hargis as a successful business man drawn into the feud troubles by Res sworn to by enemies, and charged that Hargis is arch criminal, and declared that he should be given the same punishment as he meted out to his enemies.

This morning Floyd Byrd, who has prosecuted Hargis in all the Breathitt cases, shook his finger in Hargis' face, and shouted dramatically:

"You murderer, Judge Hargis, and you ought to be hanged!"

The court room is crowded and the excitement is intense.

Guilty of Housebreaking.
Harvey A. Smith, colored, when arraigned in Criminal Court, No. 1, yesterday, to answer to an indictment charging him with house-breaking, entered a plea of guilty, and was remanded for sentence, which will be imposed on Friday by Justice Stafford.

Smith has a police record of being a confirmed house-breaker. He has served terms in the Reform School and also the latter institution, December 17, 1904, for a short term.

DITCHED LIMITED KILLS 1

Wreckers Derail Train
Running Into Los
Angeles.

Twenty-Two Injured,
Ten of Them
Fatally.

Fish Plates and Bolts
of Rails Had Been
Removed.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 22.—Train wreckers caused the ditching of the south-bound Daylight Limited of the Southern Pacific Coast Line, one mile north of this city, early today.

One man was killed and twenty-two injured, ten of them fatally.

At a point on a trestle over the Arroyo Seco, fish plates and bolts of two connecting rails were removed. Strands of heavy wire were fastened in the bolt holes at the end of the rails.

The appearance of the track indicated that some one had pulled the rails by means of wire.

The train, three hours late, was running at forty-five miles an hour. The engine ran 100 yards on the ties after hitting the open rails.

All the train except two cars went into the ditch, piling up over the tender. T. J. McMahon, an electrical worker, is the man who was killed.

DRIVE PARSON OUT; THEN DISCUSS HIM

Massachusetts Town Di-
vided Over Retaining
Young Minister.

DRACUT, Mass., May 22.—Following the driving from his home of the Rev. Owen James, pastor of the Congregational Church here, this town is badly split into factions for and against the minister. The Rev. James is young and enthusiastic in his religious work.

The congregation demanded his resignation. He replied that he would take his time about tendering it.

A large crowd of townspeople, who held a different view, called on the Rev. James and told him the church would be leaved and he would be driven out of town if he did not leave at once.

James was a passenger on the next trolley out of the city.

Amid tooting horns and the jeers of his former flock he was escorted a good part of the distance. Then the people returned to their homes to talk the matter over.

SHRINERS BURY WRECK VICTIMS

READING, Pa., May 22.—Six of the seventeen Reading victims of the Shriners' wreck were buried today. They were J. Douglas Hipple, illustrious pontent of Rajah Temple; C. Gilbert Steffe, George F. Hageman, A. L. Roth, Harry G. Miller, and C. F. Kaufman.

BOWIE TRIAL BEGINS FRIDAY

LA PLATA, Md., May 22.—The trial of Mrs. Mary Bowie and her son, Henry Bowie, charged with the killing of young Hubert Posey, has been set for Friday. The "unwritten law" will be the plea of the defense, young Posey, it is alleged, having refused to marry Peisaba Bowie after betraying her, the mother and brother having taken the matter into their own hands.

Miss Bowie is said to be ill and it is probable that the jury will have to be taken to the Bowie home, at Hill Top, in order to get her testimony.

POSTMASTER-ACCUSED OF FALSIFYING ACCOUNTS

STAUNTON, Va., May 22.—United States Commissioner M. L. Meredith heard the complaint against C. P. Bosserman, postmaster at Fluvanna, Va., charged with falsifying his postal accounts and using postage stamps in paying for merchandise. He was held for the United States court at Harrisonburg in June.

He failed to give \$1,000 bond, and is now in the Augusta county jail.